GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2180
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UNIFORM SCANDAL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a `Uniform Scandal` worth crores of rupees has taken place in Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL), Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in the matter;

(c) the name of the Government department which purchased the same cloth Rs. 70/- less than purchased by MTNL;

(d) the laid down norms/standards for purchase/issue of uniform items;

(e) the reasons for not issuing uniforms to MTNL`s staff for the last three years; and

(f) the time by which the uniforms are likely to be provided to the staff?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. However, CBI has conducted a surprise check on 10.07.2001 at Circle Store Depot, Netaji Nagar, New Delhi and taken some samples of the cloth for uniforms and Photocopies of the tender files.

(c) Not known.

(d) Summer Uniform

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 3 Sets in the First year i.e. 1999
 2 Sets for every succeeding year


Winter Uniform


 2 Sets in the First year i.e. 1999
 1 Set for every succeeding year


 Leather Shoes
 2 pair of shoes in first year i.e. 1999
 1 pair for every succeeding year
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The purchase is made through Open Tender and as per approved specifications.

(e) & (f): After absorption of Group `C` & `D` staff in MTNL, these uniforms are being issued for the first time. The procurement of uniforms for the year 1999 & 2000 is under process and the uniforms will be provided to the staff shortly.